

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Chiang et al.

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TRANSFER BY COMPETITIVE  
HYBRIDIZATION

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**  
**AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2008 and the Examiner's Interview of September 16, 2008, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this submission.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this submission.